

## House Resolution No. 3343

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take tremendous pleasure in acknowledging milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State young women who have admirably dedicated themselves to exceptional participation in the Girl Scouts of America program with its emphasis on maturation and growth as a person, citizen, and leader; and

**Whereas**, Mandy Ponzer of Girl Scout Troop 516 has earned the highest achievement award in Girl Scouting, the Gold Award, which was presented to her on May 4, 2008, at Highland Springs Country Club in Springfield, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, Mandy Ponzer fulfilled all of the diverse requirements for her Gold Award, including devoting herself to the many hours necessary to garner four IP Badges, the Senior Leadership Pin, Perfect Attendance in Scouting, Perfect Uniform Award in Scouting, the PA Senior Level Pin, the Girl Scout Silver Award, Dreams to Reality, the Senior Girl Scout Community Service Par and Pin, the Senior Girl Scout Challenge Pin, the Community Service Bar for Contributions in Girl Scouting, Ten Year Pin, and the Senior Career Exploration Pin, and she has demonstrated all the skills and attributes required to hold the offices of Assistant Patrol Leader and Troop Patrol Leader; and

**Whereas**, Mandy Ponzer also designed a self-development plan that requires assessment of her ability to interact with others and prioritize values, participation for a minimum of fifteen hours in a community service project, and development of a plan to promote Girl Scouting; and

**Whereas**, Mandy Ponzer spent a minimum of fifty hours planning and implementing a Girl Scout Gold Award Project that had a positive and lasting impact on the community, a project that has come to be known as “Juliette’s Gardens”, a Girl Scout camp that required 1300 hours, three years, and involved a team of scouts who cleared land, built camp fire rings, built a walking bridge, made signs, raised funds, and landscaped, among many other project-related activities; and

**Whereas**, a formal dedication ceremony for “Juliette’s Gardens”, located in Rolla, Missouri, is planned for June 7, 2008; and

**Whereas**, officially designated in 1980 as the highest award in Girl Scouting, the Gold Award is attained by only five thousand Girl Scouts annually:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Girl Scout Mandy Ponzer and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon completing the stringent requirements for a Girl Scout Gold Award and our best wishes for continued success and achievement in life for many, many more years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Girl Scout Gold Award recipient Mandy Ponzer, daughter of Robert and Penny Ponzer of Rolla, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Bob May  
District No. 149

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3343, adopted June 2, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker